

KEPT FROM DUEL BY THE POPE'S ORDER



Count Pecci, in Dress Parade Uniform.

Rome, March 15.—Pope Pius has through his secretary of state, Cardinal Merry del Val refused Count Pecci, commander of the Palatine guards, the guard of honor at the vatican, permission to fight a duel with Prince Altieri, who slapped the count's face during a chess game.

The count is a nephew of the late pope, Leo XIII; the prince is a nephew of Pope Clement X, and is one of the best known surviving members of the old papal, or "black" aristocracy.

WEATHER REPORT

Better Weather Coming—Snow this afternoon followed by generally fair tonight and Saturday for Chicago and vicinity; colder tonight with lowest temperature about 12 degrees above zero; diminishing northerly winds tonight.



OH! THAT'S DIFFERENT

F. Hopkinson Smith, painter, author, engineer, and professional optimist, tells a story showing that Boston boys of the street are like all others. He overheard a conversation between two youngsters selling newspapers.

"Say, Harry, w'at's the best way to teach a girl how to swim?" asked the younger one.

"Dat's a cinch. First off you puts yer left arm under her waist and you gently takes her left hand—"

"Come off; she's me sister."

"Aw, push her off de dock."—Yeoman Shield.

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"What are you bringing, my dear?"

"The letters I wrote you before we were married."

"You heartless wretch! Have you no sentiment, no—"

"Please be quiet. I'm doing this for your sake. I'm trying to fix things so that if I die, nobody can dispute my will on the ground of insanity."